

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 MONROV 07123 130958Z

ACTION EB-08

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 ISO-00 CAB-02 CIAE-00 COME-00
DODE-00 DOTE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 FAA-00 PA-01 PRS-01
USIA-06 L-03 OMB-01 TRSE-00 NSC-05 SS-15 /060 W
-----089107 140222Z /70

R 130810Z OCT 77

FM AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6658

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MONROVIA 7123

E.O. 11652 N/A

TAGS: EAIR, LI

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PROGRAM FOR IMPROVED AIR SERVICE BETWEEN AMERICA AND
SUBSAHARA AFRICA

REF: STATE 234555

1. PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE BERTHOLD MUECKE AND E/C COUNSELOR HAD
AGREED TO CALL ON MINISTER OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND TRANSPORTATION
WILLIAM E. DENNIS, JR. ON SUBJECT MATTER. MUECKE TELEPHONED
MINISTER'S OFFICE FOR AN APPOINTMENT. TO MUECKE'S SURPRISE,
MINISTER DENNIS ANSWERED AND INQUIRED WHAT MUECKE WANTED TO DISCUSS.
MUECKE THEN MENTIONED PAN AM'S DECISION TO CONVERT ITS SUBSAHARA
AFRICA SERVICE FROM 707 TO 747 AIRCRAFT IN OCTOBER 1978. MUECKE
ADDED THAT WIDENING THE RUNWAY AT ROBERTSFIELD WOULD BE NECESSARY
BEFORE START OF 747 SERVICE. MINISTER TOLD MUECKE THAT FUNDS FOR
THIS PURPOSE HAD ALREADY BEEN APPROPRIATED AND GAVE ASSURANCES
THAT PAVING OF BOTH SIDES OF RUNWAY WOULD BE COMPLETED BEFORE
DEADLINE. DENNIS REMINDED MUECKE THAT PAN AM'S OPERATING PERMIT
WOULD EXPIRE IN MARCH 1978 AND WOULD NOT BE RENEWED. IF US/GOL
BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS ARE SATISFACTORILY CONCLUDED LATER THIS
MONTH AND IF PAN AM IS DESIGNATED AS AMERICAN CARRIER TO SERVE
LIBERIA, GOL WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO PAN AM'S 747 SERVICE.
SINCE MINISTER WAS COMPLETELY AGREEABLE TO PAN AM'S PROPOSAL
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 MONROV 07123 130958Z

FOR CONVERSION OF SERVICE TO WIDE-BODIED AIRCRAFT, MUECKE AND
EMBASSY CONCLUDED A MEETING WITH DENNIS WOULD BE UNNECESSARY.

2. WHILE LEAVING OFFICE OF COMMERCE MINISTER DENNIS AFTER
DISCUSSION OF LOCAL AIRPORT MATTERS ON OCTOBER 11, DENNIS REITERATED
TO THE AMBASSADOR THAT GOL-PAN AM OPERATING PERMIT WOULD NOT BE
RENEWED AFTER IT EXPIRES NEXT YEAR. DENNIS EMPHASIZED THAT

UNDER A NEW GOL/USG BILATERAL TO BE NEGOTIATED LATER THIS
MONTH EACH GOVERNMENT COULD DESIGNATE THE CARRIER TO SERVE
THE OTHER COUNTRY.

3. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THE EMBASSY WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO
THE BILATERALS AND OPINED THAT HE COULD SEE NO SPECIAL
PROBLEMS. THE LIBERIAN ASKED IF THE U.S. WERE SERIOUS ABOUT
LIBERIA'S REQUEST FOR LANDING RIGHTS BEING TEAMED UP ON
A REGIONAL BASIS WITH, SAY, NIGERIAN AIRWAYS OR AIR
AFRIQUE. ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR TRANSPORTATION CLYDE CAMPBELL,
WHO WAS PRESENT DURING THE WASHINGTON BILATERALS, TOOK
UMBRAGE AT THE REGIONAL SUGGESTION AND QUIPPED "PERHAPS
PANAM SHOULD LIKEWISE ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH CARRIERS
FROM CANADA AND MEXICO TO SERVICE SUBSAHARA AFRICA."
CARTER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AIR TRANSPORTATION, AIR ROUTES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 13-Oct-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977MONROV07123
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770376-0832
Format: TEL
From: MONROVIA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19771065/aaaacdak.tel
Line Count: 77
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 2b46f830-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EB
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 STATE 234555
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 09-Feb-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 935076
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: CIVAIR: PROGRAM FOR IMPROVED AIR SERVICE BETWEEN AMERICA AND SAHARA AFRICA
TAGS: EAIR, LI, PANAM
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/2b46f830-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009